

# The Society of Broadcast Engineers

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**August 2012** 

The August meeting of SBE chapter 80 will be held at the Out O' Town Club on Tuesday August 21st at noon. Our program will be a forum discussion about the industry. Thanks to Mark Heller for the picnic photos below.

Chairman's Corner

Welcome to our eNewsletter!

Our next meeting of Chapter 80 will be on Tuesday, August 21st, 2012 at noon at the Out O' Town Club in Kaukauna. The August program, at the Out-O-Town Club will be an ad-lib program with an open forum discussion of what's going on in the industry. Discussions could include EAS CAP leftovers, Spring-Summer storm damage stories, CALM Act progress/status, What can we do locally to grow young engineers etc. Please bring your concerns, ideas and questions to the meeting. The July meeting of Chapter 80 was our annual Site Picnic, on Tuesday, July 17, 2012. This year's picnic was an encore picnic at Mark Heller's new WGBW Transmitter Site outside of Green Bay at the intersection of Pleasant Road and Zander Road, just south of Denmark. A special thanks to Mark Heller for hosting the summer picnic, Mrs. Heller for the wonderful condiments, Mark Friedman and Steve Konopka at the grill, Steve Brown for the tables and chairs and John Pfankuch for facilitating the picnic.

Voting for candidates to serve on the 2012-13 SBE Board of Directors is ongoing. Members of SBE are able to vote online for the first time in society history. Voting members should have an email from Intelliscan. The email contains a unique link to the member's ballot. To vote, open that email and click on the link. Each of those messages will also contain the unique link to the member's ballot. Members who opted out of electronic voting are receiving ballots in the mail. All electronic ballots must be cast by the deadline of 4:30 p.m. EST on Tuesday, August 28. Paper ballots must be received at the SBE National Office by that same date and time.

Upcoming events:

Tuesday, September 18, 2012 – SBE Chapter 80 - TBD
Tuesday, October 9 thru Thursday, October 11, 2012 – SBE/WBA Broadcasters Clinic, Madison Marriot West Middleton, Wi. Details and registration: www.wi-broadcasters.org Early Bird Registration deadline August 17, 2012.

Tuesday, November 20, 2012 – SBE Chapter 80 - TBD

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday August 21st, 2012 at our Chapter 80 monthly meeting at the Out O' Town Club in Kaukauna.

Best Regards,

Timothy J Laes

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## SBE University - online self study courses available on-demand

## **Featured Course**

# **ENG Truck Operations**

Written by Mike Seaver, CBT Edited by Ed Williams, CPBE SBE members - \$85; non-members - \$85



This course, designed for non-technical personnel, covers the basics necessary to produce a safe, good quality field produced shot from both microwave based vehicles and satellite uplink vehicles. Topics include safety, microwave principles and operation, audio, video, various IFB techniques, lighting basics, use of wireless microphones and some advanced applications.

Students will learn the basics required to set up a good live shot from the field and understand the safe practices involved in the application of typical remote news gathering equipment.

<u>Course Preview</u> <u>More Information and Registration</u>

Photo Courtesy of Frontline Communications

## Webinar by SBE on RF Safety

## **RF Safety Course**

September 25 -12-3:15 p.m. ET

with Richard Strickland, RF Safety Solutions SBE members - \$95; non-members - \$150



This training is designed for broadcast station personnel, including chief and assistant chief engineers, transmitter site engineers, ENG and SNG maintenance personnel and management that need to have an understanding of RF safety issues and regulations. Topics include proving compliance at a broadcast site, the biological effects of RF radiation, the differences between RF radiation and ionizing radiation, FCC and OSHA regulations, workplace hazards and more.

Registration has been simplified! View this webinar from any location with an Internet connection.

Click here for more information and to register.

IP Networking Part 1 webinar is September 11

The SBE is presenting "IP Networking Part 1 - the OSI Model and Layers," a live webinar from 2 to 3:30 p.m. ET on September 11 that will assist those taking the CBNE exam during upcoming exam sessions. Instructing the webinar will be Wayne Pecena, CPBE, 8-VSB, AMD, DRB, CBNE. This webinar will introduce concepts of the OSI Model and examine the physical, network and transport layers as applied to IP networking. The cost is \$49 for members of the SBE and \$75 for non-members. Registration is available on the education section of the SBE website.

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The Agenda for the 2012 Broadcasters Clinic (attached) has been published so it's time to begin this year's solicitation for **applicants to the Don Borchert Broadcasters Clinic Fellowship**. Please mention it at your monthly meetings between now and October and, if possible, please publish it in your Chapter newsletter. Attached is a sample article for the newsletter. By all means, if you know of someone who would benefit from this program, please urge them to apply. Let me take this opportunity to thank you and your Chapter for providing the funds to continue this program this year. I truly believe that the largest part of the SBE mission is to educate. The Wisconsin SBE Chapters are surely doing their part.

This is for the Television Engineers on the list. You've begun to receive promotional emails about an **ATSC/SBE seminar on CALM** being held in Chicago on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. This email is a reminder that this non-trade-show educational program and others like it are qualified for the WBA Engineering Fellowship Grant. There is a limit of 5 grants per year, first come first served, for up to \$1,000 each in event registration and travel expenses. If you are considering attending the CALM seminar, information on the Grant program is at the link below. <a href="http://www.wi-broadcasters.org/wba/wp-content/uploads/Fellowship-Grant-Application2.pdf">http://www.wi-broadcasters.org/wba/wp-content/uploads/Fellowship-Grant-Application2.pdf</a>

**Leonard Charles** 

WBA-SBE Broadcasters Clinic Program Chair

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# New SBE University Course - Use of SNMP in Broadcast Monitoring Control Systems

The SBE has introduced the twelfth course of its SBE University series; Use of SNMP in Broadcast Monitoring Control Systems. The purpose of the course is to give students an introduction and overview of the Simple Network Management Protocol, or SNMP. With IP networking becoming an ever-increasing part of a broadcast engineer's environment, there is an opportunity to exploit this legacy IT protocol for our benefit. SNMP is a way to monitor data points and control different functions in remote equipment, using an existing IP network. Much of the latest generation broadcast equipment supports this protocol, and facility control devices are appearing on the market that can incorporate data and control functions obtained via SNMP alongside information and controls that use traditional hardwired inputs and outputs.

This course will offer a basic description of how SNMP works - the structure and types of SNMP messages, how they are transported over the network, and how they can be used to monitor and control remote equipment. It will then explore the data that the distant equipment might return, and how best to integrate that into an overall facility control plan. And finally, the course will cover the types of equipment that support SNMP communications and also cover the topic of using the protocol for site-to-site communications.

# Course Chapters:

- 1. Overview
- 2. SNMP Transport and Packet Structure
- 3. SNMP Versions and Messages
- 4. Object Identifiers and MIB Files
- 5. Understanding an OID
- 6. OID Index Values
- 7. Using SNMP Commands and Understanding Data
- 8. Advantages of Using SNMP

The course is written for the SBE by Tony Peterle, CSRE. Peterle grew up in Central Ohio and graduated from the College of Wooster in 1981. He has been involved in radio broadcasting continuously since high school and has held Chief Engineer positions in Honolulu, Kansas City and Wichita. He earned the CSRE certification from the SBE in 2005. Shortly thereafter, he came to work for Audemat, and enjoys helping customers solve problems, traveling, contributing to the design of new products.



Chapter 80 Site Picnic, on Tuesday, July 17, 2012





















